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NORTHEAST REGIONAL OFFICE/FISHERIES STATISTICS OFFICE FISHERY INFORMATION SECTION

Weekly Summer Flounder Quota Report (No. 33)

Summer Flounder Landings and State Commercial Quotas (Pounds) for 1999.

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		Week	Period		
State	Late	Ending	Cumulative	1999 Quotas	Percent
	Entries	21-AUG-99	Total (to date)		Landed
ME	0	0	5,856	4,450	131.6
NH	0	0	0	51	0
MA	171	10,035	796,042	757,842	105.0
RI	23	0	1,260,462	1,742,583	72.3
CT	0	1,572	212,772	238,516	89.2
NY	349	8,139	659,642	790,006	83.5
NJ	15	3,396	1,018,846	1,853,926	55.0
DE	0	0	5,470	-25,439	_
MD	0	6,185	72,814	202,354	36.0
VA	198	212	1,411,967	2,120,696	63.9
NC	-49	5	2,237,724	3,044,589	73.5
TOTAL	707	29,544	7,681,595	10,755,013	71.4

Notes:

On August 26, 1999, the following state commercial quotas for summer flounder were adjusted: CT, NY, MD, and VA. For additional information contact Sustainable Fisheries Division.

The total quota reflects pounds available for landings in states with quota. States with negative allocations have zero (0) pounds of quota available.

Negative late entries are the result of corrections to the database.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Summer Flounder

State/	Closure	Trip/Possession Limits	Other Provisions/	State Contact
Commonwealth	status	(pounds)	Pending Changes	
Maine	Federal		Effective 0001 hrs on 3/30/99	Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts	Federal/ State		Effective 8/16/99, the commercial summer flounder fishery will be closed for the remainder of the year. The landing/possession limit will drop to 0 lb for all gear types on this date.	Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island			Effective 12:01AM, on 8/5/99 the possession of summer flounder is prohibited, until 9/1/99 at 12:01AM when the possession limit will be 300 pounds.	Richard Sisson 401-789-3094
Connecticut		Effective 0001 hrs on 7/29/99 there is a 50lb trip/possession limit.	Effective 0001 hrs on Monday, 8/30/99, the commercial fisheries for summer flounder (fluke) will be closed.	Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York		30 lb trip limit and not more than 10% by weight of all species landed or sold	Effective 0001 hrs on 6/6/99	John Mason 516-444-0453
New Jersey		Effective 1801 hrs on 7/1/99, no vessel shall land or possess any summer flounder in excess of the by-catch trip limit of 100 lb. By-catch landings may not exceed 10%, by weight, of all species landed and sold.	Effective 1800 hrs on 7/1/99, New Jersey's directed summer flounder fishery will be closed.	Tom McCloy 609-292-2083
Delaware				Rick Cole 302-739-4782
Maryland		2,000 lb for vessels with Maryland summer flounder landing permit	For vessels without a Maryland summer flounder landing permit, 200 lb from the Atlantic Coast and 100 lb from the Chesapeake Bay	Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia	State	Vessels shall be limited to no more than 10% by weight of all other landed species on board.	S	Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243
North Carolina	State	•	Effective 2/20/99	Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021